

DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

VS.

CR-11-1013-TUC-RCC

GHERMON LATEKE TUCKER, et al.,

Defendants.

August 02, 2012  
Tucson, Arizona

IN CHAMBERS HEARING  
BEFORE THE HONORABLE RANER C. COLLINS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 THE COURT: A couple of days ago -- this  
3 is something I called. A couple of days ago, the  
4 Government filed a motion about waiting until the  
5 day we picked the jury to disclose cooperators.

6 Are you all still there?

7 MR. COOPER: Yes.

8 MR. ARMSTRONG: Yes, sir

9 THE COURT: And I wanted to address that  
10 today. I read what the Government said. I read  
11 your responses to it.

12 Is there anything additional that anybody  
13 wants to say about it? I'm having this done -- a  
14 court reporter is present, by the way.

15 Don't everybody speak at once.

16 MR. YOUNG: This is Jon Young for Jerome  
17 Ranger. I don't have anything beyond what was in  
18 the pleadings, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Okay. How about you,  
20 Mr. Cooper?

21 MR. COOPER: I don't have anything beyond  
22 the pleadings either.

23 THE COURT: Mr. Armstrong?

24 MR. ARMSTRONG: Nothing else.

25 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Lacey and

1 Ms. Hopkins?

2 MR. LACEY: We've laid it out in the  
3 papers as well, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Here's what I'm going to do.  
5 I'm going to order that the stuff be disclosed now,  
6 but you guys can't reveal the names to your clients  
7 until Tuesday.

8 MR. COOPER: That's fine. I'm not going  
9 to go out to the prison, period, and he never calls  
10 me, so that's not a problem.

11 THE COURT: Mr. Cooper?

12 MR. COOPER: That was me. That was me.

13 THE COURT: Oh, that was Mr. Cooper? I  
14 thought that was Mr. Young.

15 MR. ARMSTRONG: Judge, I'll abide by the  
16 Court's order, obviously.

17 THE COURT: Mr. Young?

18 MR. YOUNG: My client's in Phoenix, Your  
19 Honor. I'll abide by the Court's order. I'm  
20 rolling around in my mind -- I think I might have  
21 to object to it.

22 THE COURT: You can show -- the record can  
23 show your objection.

24 MR. YOUNG: I think for me to prepare for  
25 its use, I really have to go over it with my client

1 and ask what's true and what's not and what's that  
2 about.

3 THE COURT: Well, don't forget. We pick  
4 the jury on Tuesday. I think Mr. Cooper's leaving  
5 on Wednesday afternoon, aren't you, Dan?

6 MR. COOPER: No, sir, Thursday afternoon.

7 THE COURT: Okay. He's leaving on  
8 Thursday afternoon. So you'll have that full  
9 weekend to prepare.

10 MR. YOUNG: Well I don't work on weekends.

11 THE COURT: When did that start?

12 MR. LACEY: Judge, make sure you check  
13 those vouchers.

14 THE COURT: When did you stop working on  
15 weekends, Mr. Young?

16 MR. YOUNG: When I graduated from law  
17 school.

18 MR. ARMSTRONG: And Your Honor, may I ask  
19 the Government if there is -- if they're planning  
20 on calling any cooperators that first week?

21 THE COURT: They're shaking their heads  
22 no.

23 MR. ARMSTRONG: Okay.

24 THE COURT: Okay?

25 MR. YOUNG: Yes, Your Honor.

1           MR. LACEY: And Judge, one further thing.  
2 We'd like a protective order as far as those  
3 materials are concerned so, first, no copies get  
4 given to the clients, and after the trial's  
5 completed, we get those materials back, as to the  
6 cooperators as well as the informant.

7           THE COURT: All right. I'll order that.

8           MR. COOPER: That was my question, because  
9 I'm in the process of collating and organizing  
10 several thousand pages, so what I want to know from  
11 the Government, and if they could put out a list of  
12 what is it they want us to return to them.

13          MR. LACEY: We're talking now -- the  
14 materials you already have, I'm not that concerned  
15 about. It's the materials with the exception of  
16 the materials as to the CS that you were given this  
17 week.

18          MR. COOPER: Okay.

19          MR. LACEY: We're talking those materials  
20 and the materials you will be getting now that deal  
21 with the cooperators.

22          MR. COOPER: Okay.

23          THE COURT: All right. Thanks, guys.

24          MR. COOPER: Thank you, Your Honor.

25          THE COURT: Sorry it was such a difficult

1     thing with the phone call.

2                 MR. COOPER:  No problem.

3                 THE COURT:  All right.  See you guys on  
4     Tuesday.

5                 MR. YOUNG:  See you then.

6                 THE COURT:  Bye.

7                 (Proceedings concluded in this matter.)

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